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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

11 | UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Case No.: 1:22-CR-2059-MKD-1

Plaintiff,

Plea Agreement

v.

15 KARLA LETICIA PADILLA-REYNA,
16 a.k.a. KARLA PADILLA

Defendant.

19 Plaintiff United States of America, by and through Vanessa R. Waldref,
20 United States Attorney the Eastern District of Washington, Tyler H. L. Tornabene
21 and Daniel H. Fruchter, Assistant United States Attorneys for the Eastern District
22 of Washington, and Frieda K. Zimmerman, Special Assistant United States
23 Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, and Defendant KARLA LETICIA
24 PADILLA-REYNA (“Defendant”), both individually and by and through
25 Defendant’s counsel, Robin C. Emmans and Ulvar W. Klein, agree to the
26 following Plea Agreement.

1. Guilty Plea and Maximum Statutory Penalties

1 Defendant agrees to enter a plea of guilty to Count 4 of the Indictment filed
2 on May 17, 2022, which charges Defendant with Wire Fraud, in violation of 18
3 U.S.C. § 1343, a Class C felony.

4 Defendant understands that the following potential penalties apply:

- 5 a. a term of imprisonment of not more than 20 years;
- 6 b. a term of supervised release of not more than 3 years;
- 7 c. a fine of up to \$250,000;
- 8 d. restitution; and
- 9 e. a \$100 special penalty assessment.

10 2. Supervised Release

11 Defendant understands that if Defendant violates any condition of
12 Defendant's supervised release, the Court may revoke Defendant's term of
13 supervised release, and require Defendant to serve in prison all or part of the term
14 of supervised release authorized by statute for the offense that resulted in such term
15 of supervised release without credit for time previously served on postrelease
16 supervision, up to 2 years in prison.

17 Accordingly, Defendant understands that if Defendant commits one or more
18 violations of supervised release, Defendant could serve a total term of
19 incarceration greater than the maximum sentence authorized by statute for
20 Defendant's offense or offenses of conviction.

21 3. The Court is Not a Party to this Plea Agreement

22 The Court is not a party to this Plea Agreement and may accept or reject it.
23 Defendant acknowledges that no promises of any type have been made to
24 Defendant with respect to the sentence the Court will impose in this matter.

25 Defendant understands the following:

- 26 a. sentencing is a matter solely within the discretion of the Court;
- 27 b. the Court is under no obligation to accept any recommendations
28 made by the United States or Defendant;

- 1 c. the Court will obtain an independent report and sentencing
- 2 recommendation from the United States Probation Office;
- 3 d. the Court may exercise its discretion to impose any sentence it
- 4 deems appropriate, up to the statutory maximum penalties;
- 5 e. the Court is required to consider the applicable range set forth
- 6 in the United States Sentencing Guidelines, but may depart
- 7 upward or downward under certain circumstances; and
- 8 f. the Court may reject recommendations made by the United
- 9 States or Defendant, and that will not be a basis for Defendant
- 10 to withdraw from this Plea Agreement or Defendant's guilty
- 11 plea.

12 4. Potential Immigration Consequences of Guilty Plea

13 If Defendant is not a citizen of the United States, Defendant understands the
14 following:

- 15 a. pleading guilty in this case may have immigration
- 16 consequences;
- 17 b. a broad range of federal crimes may result in Defendant's
- 18 removal from the United States, including the offense to which
- 19 Defendant is pleading guilty;
- 20 c. removal from the United States and other immigration
- 21 consequences are the subject of separate proceedings; and
- 22 d. no one, including Defendant's attorney or the Court, can predict
- 23 with absolute certainty the effect of a federal conviction on
- 24 Defendant's immigration status.

25 Defendant affirms that Defendant is knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily
26 pleading guilty as set forth in this Plea Agreement, regardless of any immigration
27 consequences that Defendant's guilty plea may entail.

28 5. Waiver of Constitutional Rights

1 Defendant understands that by entering this guilty plea, Defendant is
2 knowingly and voluntarily waiving certain constitutional rights, including the
3 following:

4 a. the right to a jury trial;
5 b. the right to see, hear and question the witnesses;
6 c. the right to remain silent at trial;
7 d. the right to testify at trial; and
8 e. the right to compel witnesses to testify.

9 While Defendant is waiving certain constitutional rights, Defendant
10 understands that Defendant retains the right to be assisted by an attorney through
11 the sentencing proceedings in this case and any direct appeal of Defendant's
12 conviction and sentence, and that an attorney will be appointed at no cost if
13 Defendant cannot afford to hire an attorney.

14 Defendant understands and agrees that any defense motions currently
15 pending before the Court are mooted by this Plea Agreement, and Defendant
16 expressly waives Defendant's right to bring any additional pretrial motions.

17 6. Elements of the Offense

18 The United States and Defendant agree that in order to convict Defendant of
19 Wire Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343, as charged in Count 4 of the
20 Indictment filed on May 17, 2022, the United States would have to prove the
21 following beyond a reasonable doubt.

22 a. *First*, Defendant knowingly devised, intended to devise, or
23 participated in a scheme or plan to defraud, or a scheme or plan
24 for obtaining money or property by means of false or fraudulent
25 pretenses, promises, or omitted facts;
26 b. *Second*, the statements made or facts omitted as part of the
27 scheme were material;
28 c. *Third*, Defendant acted with intent to defraud; and

1 d. *Fourth*, Defendant used, or caused to be used, an interstate wire
2 communication to carry out or attempt to carry out an essential
3 part of the scheme.

4 7. Factual Basis and Statement of Facts

5 The United States and Defendant stipulate and agree to the following: the
6 facts set forth below are accurate; the United States could prove these facts beyond
7 a reasonable doubt at trial; and these facts constitute an adequate factual basis for
8 Defendant's guilty plea.

9 The United States and Defendant agree that this statement of facts does not
10 preclude either party from presenting and arguing, for sentencing purposes,
11 additional facts that are relevant to the Sentencing Guidelines computation or
12 sentencing, unless otherwise prohibited in this Plea Agreement.

13 The Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program

14 The Economic Injury Disaster Loan ("EIDL") program is a Small Business
15 Administration ("SBA") program that provides low-interest funding to small
16 businesses, renters, and homeowners affected by declared disasters. On March 27,
17 2020, the President signed into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic
18 Security ("CARES") Act. That statute, along with the Coronavirus Preparedness
19 and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, authorized the SBA to provide
20 EIDLs to eligible small businesses experiencing substantial financial disruption
21 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

22 In order to obtain an EIDL, a qualifying business was required to submit an
23 application to the SBA providing information about its operations, such as the
24 number of employees, gross revenues for the 12-month period preceding the
25 disaster, and cost of goods sold in the 12-month period preceding the disaster. In
26 the case of EIDLs for COVID-19 relief, the 12-month period was the year
27 preceding January 31, 2020. The applicant was also required to certify that the
28 information in the application was true and correct to the best of the applicant's

1 knowledge. The amount of an EIDL, if the application was approved, was
2 determined based, in part, on the information provided in the application about
3 employment, revenue, and cost of goods sold. Any funds issued under an EIDL
4 were determined and issued directly by the SBA. EIDL funds were eligible to be
5 used to payroll expenses, sick leave, production costs, and business obligations
6 such as debts, rent, and mortgage payments. In addition to the EIDL loan amount,
7 EIDL applicants could also apply to obtain cash advances of up to \$10,000 within
8 three days of application. Advances, which were determined based on the number
9 of employees that the applicant certified having, did not have to be repaid.

10 The Paycheck Protection Plan Loan Program

11 Another source of relief provided by the CARES Act was the authorization
12 of forgivable loans to small businesses for job retention and other certain expenses,
13 through a program referred to as the Paycheck Protection Program (“PPP”). In
14 order to obtain a PPP loan, a qualifying business was required to submit a PPP loan
15 application signed by an authorized representative of the business. The PPP loan
16 application required the business (through its authorized representative) to
17 acknowledge the program rules and make certain affirmative certifications in order
18 to be eligible to obtain the PPP loan. In the PPP loan application, the applicant
19 (through its authorized representative) was required to state, among other things:
20 (a) its average monthly payroll expenses; and (b) its number of employees. If the
21 applicant had no employees other than the owner, the applicant was required to
22 provide the gross income amount from a 2019 or 2020 IRS Form 1040, Schedule
23 C. These figures were used to calculate the amount of money the small business
24 was eligible to receive under the PPP. Additionally, the application was required to
25 certify that they were in operation as of February 15, 2020. The applicant was also
26 required to certify that the information in the application was true and correct to
27 the best of the applicant’s knowledge.

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1 A business's PPP loan application was received and processed, in the first
2 instance, by a participating lender. If a PPP loan application was approved, the
3 participating lender funded the PPP loan using its own monies. Data from the
4 application, including information about the borrower, the total amount of the loan,
5 the listed number of employees, and the gross income amount, was transmitted by
6 the lender to the SBA, an agency of the United States, in the course of processing
7 the loan.

Queen B Collectibles LLC

Beginning no later than on or about April 2, 2020, and continuing through at least April 22, 2021, in the Eastern District of Washington and elsewhere, Defendant devised and intended to devise a scheme to defraud the SBA, and to obtain money and property by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises. Specifically, Defendant applied for three PPP loans, receiving two, using false and fraudulent information about her purportedly active company, Queen B Collectibles, LLC, sometimes held out as Queen B Enterprises (hereinafter collectively “Queen B”), with the intent to defraud, steal, and convert the proceeds of the PPP Loans for Defendant’s personal use and without any intent to repay the PPP Loans.

19 Additionally, Defendant submitted five applications for EIDLs, and made an
20 application for a modification to an EIDL requesting additional funds, using false
21 and fraudulent information about her purportedly active company, Queen B, with
22 the intent to defraud, steal, and convert the proceeds of the EIDLs for Defendant's
23 personal use and without any intent to repay the EIDLs. Of those EIDLs that
24 Defendant applied for, she obtained one EIDL with the intent to defraud, steal, and
25 convert the proceeds of that EIDL for her personal use and without any intent to
26 repay the EIDL. All totaled through her three false and fraudulent PPP loan
27 applications and her six false and fraudulent EIDL applications, Defendant

1 fraudulently requested a total of at least \$256,168 on behalf of Queen B and
2 received a total of \$59,602 on behalf of Queen B.

3 Economic Injury Disaster Loan No. 5405907800

4 On or about April 2, 2020, Defendant applied for an EIDL by submitting
5 application number 3600537630 to the SBA under the name of her purported
6 company, Queen B for EIDL No. 5405907800. Defendant falsely stated and
7 certified, in the application, that Queen B had 3 employees as of January 31, 2020,
8 that its gross revenues for the 12-month period prior to January 31, 2020, were
9 \$68,000.00, that its cost of goods sold for the 12-month period prior to January 31,
10 2020, was \$35,000.00. In fact, these representations and certifications were false
11 and Queen B and Defendant were not eligible for any EIDL funding. As a result of
12 the fraud and relying on the materially false and fraudulent representations and
13 certifications made by Defendant, SBA approved the requested EIDL, and, on
14 April 26, 2020, disbursed an advance of \$3,000 on EIDL Loan No. 540907800 and
15 on May 30, 2020, disbursed an additional \$13,500 on that EIDL, to a personal
16 bank account of the Defendant's via the interstate wires. On April 6, 7, and 14,
17 2020, Defendant submitted three additional EIDL applications in the name of
18 Queen B, making materially false and fraudulent representations and omissions on
19 each application to the SBA, and requesting a total amount of \$153,800.
20 Additionally, on January 4, 2021, Defendant applied for another EIDL, through
21 application number 3316039429, and made materially false and fraudulent
22 representations and omissions on that application to the SBA, and requested a total
23 amount of \$87,300. On April 22, 2021, Defendant applied for additional funding
24 under EIDL No. 5405907800 in the name of Queen B in the total amount of
25 \$45,000 and made materially false and fraudulent representations and omissions on
26 that application to the SBA. However, the SBA did not ultimately disburse any of
27 the funds Defendant fraudulently requested in these five additional EIDL
28 applications.

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2 Paycheck Protection Program Loan No. 54659282-05

3 On or about August 7, 2020, Defendant submitted an application for PPP
4 loan number 54659282-05 to the SBA in the name of her purported company,
5 Queen B. Defendant falsely and fraudulently stated in the application for PPP loan
6 number 54659282-05 that Queen B had been established on October 18, 2018, that
7 it had 4 employees as of the date of the application, that its average monthly
8 payroll was \$8,616.00, and requested a PPP loan for Queen B in the amount of
9 \$21,500. On or about August 11, 2020, as a result of the fraudulent scheme
10 described above, and the materially false and fraudulent information supplied by
11 Defendant in the application for PPP loan number 54659282-05, \$21,500 was
12 disbursed into one of Defendant's bank accounts via the interstate wires. On or
13 about October 20, 2021, Defendant falsely and fraudulently requested loan
14 forgiveness of the entire PPP loan amount by falsely representing that the PPP loan
15 proceeds had been used for eligible uses and expenses, including the false
16 representation that \$14,565 of the loan amount had been used for payroll expenses.

17 Paycheck Protection Program Loan No. 17213483-08

18 On or about January 19, 2021, Defendant submitted an application for PPP
19 loan number 17213483-08 to the SBA in the name of her purportedly active
20 company, Queen B. Defendant falsely and fraudulently stated in the application
21 for PPP loan number 17213483-08 that Queen B had been established in 2018, had
22 3 employees as of the date of the application, and that its average monthly payroll
23 was \$8,641.00. Based on that information, Defendant requested a PPP loan for
24 Queen B in the amount of \$21,602. These representations were materially false
25 and fraudulent. Queen B was not an active business as of February 15, 2020,
26 meaning that Queen B was not eligible for any PPP funding. PPP loan number
27 17213483-08 was handled by Montana Community Development Corporation, a
28 lending institution located in Missoula, Montana, on a delegated basis from the

1 SBA. Montana Community Development Corporation submitted disbursement
2 details for this loan into the SBA E-Tran system located in Sterling, Virginia. On
3 or about January 26, 2021, as a result of the fraudulent scheme described above,
4 and the materially false and fraudulent information supplied by Defendant on the
5 application for PPP loan number 17213483-08, Montana Community Development
6 Corporation disbursed \$21,602 through the interstate wires into Defendant's
7 HAPO Account located in Richland, Washington, ending in 0030, which was not
8 created until December 11, 2020, as a personal business account for Queen B. On
9 or about October 20, 2021, Defendant falsely and fraudulently requested loan
10 forgiveness of the entire PPP loan amount by falsely representing that the PPP loan
11 proceeds had been used for eligible uses and expenses, including the false
12 representation that \$13,256 of the loan amount had been used for payroll expenses.

13 Paycheck Protection Program Loan No. 89259688-00

14 On or about April 22, 2021, Defendant submitted an application for PPP
15 loan number 89259688-00 to the SBA in the name of her purported company,
16 Queen B. Defendant falsely and fraudulently stated in the application for PPP loan
17 number 89259688-00 that Queen B had been established on August 15, 2017, that
18 it had 4 employees as of the date of the application, that its average monthly
19 payroll was \$25,707.00, and requested a PPP loan for Queen B in the amount of
20 \$64,266. These representations were materially false and fraudulent. However,
21 the loan was canceled because Defendant did not supply the requested Schedule C
22 tax form.

23 8. The United States' Agreements

24 The United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Washington
25 agrees that at the time of sentencing, the United States will move to dismiss Counts
26 1, 2, and 3, of the Indictment filed on May 17, 2022, which charge Defendant with
27 three counts of Wire Fraud, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343, and counts 5, 6, and
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1 7, of the Indictment filed on May 17, 2022, which charge Defendant with three
2 counts of False, Fictitious, or Fraudulent Claims, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 287.

3 The United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Washington
4 agrees not to bring additional charges against Defendant based on information in
5 its possession at the time of this Plea Agreement that arise from conduct that is
6 either charged in the Indictment or identified in discovery produced in this case,
7 unless Defendant breaches this Plea Agreement before sentencing.

8 9. United States Sentencing Guidelines Calculations

9 Defendant understands and acknowledges that the United States Sentencing
10 Guidelines ("U.S.S.G." or "Guidelines") apply and that the Court will determine
11 Defendant's advisory range at the time of sentencing, pursuant to the Guidelines.
12 The United States and Defendant agree to the following Guidelines calculations.

13 a. Base Offense Level

14 The United States and the Defendant agree that the base offense level for
15 Wire Fraud is 7. U.S.S.G. § 2B1.1(a)(1).

16 b. Special Offense Characteristics

17 The Defendant and the United States agree to recommend that the
18 Defendant's base offense level should be increased by 12 levels, because the loss
19 amount (actual and intended) was more than \$250,000 and less than \$550,000. See
20 U.S.S.G. §2B1.1(b)(1)(G). The United States and Defendant are not aware of any
21 other adjustments that apply. Defendant may argue the application of 2X1.1. The
22 United States reserves the right to oppose the application of 2X1.1.

23 c. Acceptance of Responsibility

24 The United States will recommend that Defendant receive a three-level
25 downward adjustment for acceptance of responsibility, pursuant to U.S.S.G.
26 § 3E1.1(a), (b), if Defendant does the following:

27 i. accepts this Plea Agreement;
28 ii. enters a guilty plea on July 21, 2022;

- iii. demonstrates recognition and affirmative acceptance of Defendant's personal responsibility for Defendant's criminal conduct;
- iv. provides complete and accurate information during the sentencing process; and
- v. does not commit any obstructive conduct.

7 The United States and Defendant agree that at its option and on written
8 notice to Defendant, the United States may elect not to recommend a reduction for
9 acceptance of responsibility if, prior to the imposition of sentence, Defendant is
10 charged with, or convicted of, any criminal offense, or if Defendant tests positive
11 for any controlled substance.

d. No Other Agreements

13 The United States and Defendant have no other agreements regarding the
14 Guidelines or the application of any Guidelines enhancements, departures, or
15 variances. Defendant understands and acknowledges that the United States is free
16 to make any sentencing arguments it sees fit, including arguments arising from
17 Defendant's uncharged conduct, conduct set forth in charges that will be dismissed
18 pursuant to this Agreement, and Defendant's relevant conduct.

e. Criminal History

20 The United States and Defendant have no agreement and make no
21 representations about Defendant's criminal history category, which will be
22 determined by the Court after the United States Probation Office prepares and
23 discloses a Presentence Investigative Report.

10. Incarceration

25 The United States agrees to recommend a sentence no higher than the low
26 end of the Guidelines, as calculated by the United States.

27 Defendant may recommend any legal sentence.

11. Supervised Release

If the Court imposes a sentence of imprisonment, the United States and Defendant each agree to recommend 3 years of supervised release. Defendant agrees that the Court's decision regarding the conditions of Defendant's Supervised Release is final and non-appealable; that is, even if Defendant is unhappy with the conditions of Supervised Release ordered by the Court, that will not be a basis for Defendant to withdraw Defendant's guilty plea, withdraw from this Plea Agreement, or appeal Defendant's conviction, sentence, or any term of Supervised Release.

The United States and Defendant agree to recommend that in addition to the standard conditions of supervised release imposed in all cases in this District, the Court should also impose the following conditions:

- a. That the United States Probation Officer may conduct, upon reasonable suspicion, and with or without notice, a search of Defendant's person, residences, offices, vehicles, belongings, and areas under Defendant's exclusive or joint control.
- b. That the Defendant disclose shall all assets and liabilities to United States Probation and shall not transfer, sell, give away, or otherwise convey or secret any asset, without the advance approval of the United States Probation Office.
- c. That the Defendant be prohibited from incurring any new debt, opening new lines of credit, or enter any financial contracts or obligations without the prior approval of the United States Probation Office.
- d. That the Defendant participate and complete financial counseling and life skills programs at the direction of the United States Probation Office.

12. Criminal Fine

1 The United States and Defendant may make any recommendation
2 concerning the imposition of a criminal fine. Defendant acknowledges that the
3 Court's decision regarding a fine is final and non-appealable; that is, even if
4 Defendant is unhappy with a fine ordered by the Court, that will not be a basis for
5 Defendant to withdraw Defendant's guilty plea, withdraw from this Plea
6 Agreement, or appeal Defendant's conviction, sentence, or fine.

7 13. Mandatory Special Penalty Assessment

8 Defendant agrees to pay the \$100 mandatory special penalty assessment to
9 the Clerk of Court for the Eastern District of Washington, pursuant to 18 U.S.C.
10 § 3013.

11 14. Restitution

12 The United States and Defendant agree that restitution is appropriate and
13 mandatory, without regard to Defendant's economic situation, to identifiable
14 victims who have suffered physical injury or pecuniary loss, pursuant to 18 U.S.C.
15 §§ 3663A, 3664.

16 Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3663(a)(3), Defendant voluntarily agrees to pay
17 restitution for all losses caused by Defendant's individual conduct, in exchange for
18 the United States not bringing additional potential charges, regardless of whether
19 counts associated with such losses will be dismissed as part of this Plea
20 Agreement. With respect to restitution, the United States and Defendant agree to
21 the following:

22 a. Restitution Amount and Interest

23 The United States and Defendant stipulate and agree that, pursuant to 18
24 U.S.C. §§ 3663, 3663A and 3664, the Court should order restitution in an amount
25 of \$302,145.40, and that any interest on this restitution amount, if any, should be
26 waived.

27 b. Payments

28 To the extent restitution is ordered, the United States and Defendant agree

1 that the Court will set a restitution payment schedule based on Defendant's
2 financial circumstances. 18 U.S.C. § 3664(f)(2), (3)(A). Regardless, Defendant
3 agrees to pay not less than 10% of Defendant's net monthly income towards
4 restitution.

5 c. Treasury Offset Program and Collection

6 Defendant understands the Treasury Offset Program ("TOP") collects
7 delinquent debts owed to federal agencies. If applicable, the TOP may take part or
8 all of Defendant's federal tax refund, federal retirement benefits, or other federal
9 benefits and apply these monies to Defendant's restitution obligations. 26 U.S.C.
10 § 6402(d); 31 U.S.C. § 3720A; 31 U.S.C. § 3716.

11 Defendant understands that the United States may, notwithstanding the
12 Court-imposed payment schedule, pursue other avenues to ensure the restitution
13 obligation is satisfied, including, but not limited to, garnishment of available funds,
14 wages, or assets. 18 U.S.C. §§ 3572, 3613, and 3664(m).

15 Nothing in this acknowledgment shall be construed to limit Defendant's
16 ability to assert any specifically identified exemptions as provided by law, except
17 as set forth in this Plea Agreement.

18 Until Defendant's fine and restitution obligations are paid in full, Defendant
19 agrees fully to disclose all assets in which Defendant has any interest or over
20 which Defendant exercises control, directly or indirectly, including those held by a
21 spouse, nominee or third party.

22 Until Defendant's fine and restitution obligations are paid in full, Defendant
23 agrees to provide waivers, consents, or releases requested by the U.S. Attorney's
24 Office to access records to verify the financial information.

25 d. Notifications and Waivers

26 Defendant agrees to notify the Court and the United States of any material
27 change in Defendant's economic circumstances (e.g., inheritances, monetary gifts,
28 changed employment, or income increases) that might affect Defendant's ability to

1 pay restitution. 18 U.S.C. § 3664(k). Defendant also agrees to notify the United
2 States of any address change within 30 days of that change. 18 U.S.C.
3 § 3612(b)(1)(F). These obligations cease when Defendant's fine and restitution
4 obligations are paid in full.

5 Defendant acknowledges that the Court's decision regarding restitution is
6 final and non-appealable; that is, even if Defendant is unhappy with the amount of
7 restitution ordered by the Court, that will not be a basis for Defendant to withdraw
8 Defendant's guilty plea, withdraw from this Plea Agreement, or appeal
9 Defendant's conviction, sentence, or restitution order.

10 15. Payments While Incarcerated

11 If Defendant lacks the financial resources to pay the monetary obligations
12 imposed by the Court, Defendant agrees to earn money toward these obligations by
13 participating in the Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program.

14 16. Additional Violations of Law Can Void Plea Agreement

15 The United States and Defendant agree that the United States may, at its
16 option and upon written notice to the Defendant, withdraw from this Plea
17 Agreement or modify its sentencing recommendation if, prior to the imposition of
18 sentence, Defendant is charged with or convicted of any criminal offense or tests
19 positive for any controlled substance.

20 17. Waiver of Appeal Rights

21 Defendant understands that Defendant has a limited right to appeal or
22 challenge Defendant's conviction and the sentence imposed by the Court.

23 Defendant expressly waives all of Defendant's rights to appeal Defendant's
24 conviction and the sentence the Court imposes.

25 Defendant expressly waives Defendant's right to appeal any fine, term of
26 supervised release, or restitution order imposed by the Court.

27 Defendant expressly waives the right to file any post-conviction motion
28 attacking Defendant's conviction and sentence, including a motion pursuant to 28

1 U.S.C. § 2255, except one based on ineffective assistance of counsel arising from
2 information not now known by Defendant and which, in the exercise of due
3 diligence, Defendant could not know by the time the Court imposes sentence.

4 Nothing in this Plea Agreement shall preclude the United States from
5 opposing any post-conviction motion for a reduction of sentence or other attack
6 upon the conviction or sentence, including, but not limited to, writ of habeas
7 corpus proceedings brought pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255.

8 18. Compassionate Release

9 In consideration for the benefits Defendant is receiving under the terms of
10 this Plea Agreement, Defendant expressly waives Defendant's right to bring any
11 motion for Compassionate Release other than a motion arising from one of the
12 specific bases set forth in this paragraph of this Plea Agreement. The United States
13 retains the right to oppose, on any basis, any motion Defendant files for
14 Compassionate Release.

15 The only bases on which Defendant may file a motion for Compassionate
16 Release in the Eastern District of Washington are the following:

17 a. Medical Condition of Defendant

18 i. Defendant is suffering from a terminal illness (i.e., a
19 serious and advanced illness with an end of life
20 trajectory). A specific prognosis of life expectancy (i.e.,
21 a probability of death within a specific time period) is not
22 required. Examples include metastatic solid-tumor
23 cancer, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), end-stage
24 organ disease, and advanced dementia; or
25 ii. Defendant is suffering from a serious physical or medical
26 condition, a serious functional or cognitive impairment,
27 or deteriorating physical or mental health because of the
28 aging process that substantially diminishes the ability of

the defendant to provide self-care within the environment of a correctional facility and from which Defendant is not expected to recover.

b. Age of Defendant

- i. Defendant is at least 65 years old, is experiencing a serious deterioration in physical or mental health because of the aging process; and has served at least 10 years or 75 percent of Defendant's term of imprisonment, whichever is less; or
- ii. Defendant is at least 70 years old and has served at least 30 years in prison pursuant to a sentence imposed under 18 U.S.C. § 3559(c) for the offense or offenses for which Defendant is imprisoned.

c. Family Circumstances

- i. The caregiver of Defendant's minor child or children has died or become incapacitated, and Defendant is the only available caregiver for Defendant's minor child or children; or
- ii. Defendant's spouse or registered partner has become incapacitated, and Defendant is the only available caregiver for Defendant's spouse or registered partner.

d. Subsequent Reduction to Mandatory Sentence

- i. Defendant pleaded guilty to an offense which, on the date of Defendant's guilty plea, carried a mandatory minimum sentence; and
- ii. after the entry of judgment, the length of the mandatory minimum sentence for Defendant's offense of conviction was reduced by a change in the law; and

- iii. the application of the reduced mandatory minimum sentence would result in Defendant receiving a lower overall sentence.

e. Ineffective Assistance of Counsel

- i. Defendant seeks Compassionate Release based on a claim of ineffective assistance of counsel arising from information that Defendant both
 1. did not know at the time of Defendant's guilty plea, and
 2. could not have known, in the exercise of due diligence, at the time the Court imposed sentence.

19. Withdrawal or Vacatur of Defendant's Plea

Should Defendant successfully move to withdraw from this Plea Agreement or should Defendant's conviction be set aside, vacated, reversed, or dismissed under any circumstance, then:

- a. this Plea Agreement shall become null and void;
- b. the United States may prosecute Defendant on all available charges;
- c. The United States may reinstate any counts that have been dismissed, have been superseded by the filing of another charging instrument, or were not charged because of this Plea Agreement; and
- d. the United States may file any new charges that would otherwise be barred by this Plea Agreement.

The decision to pursue any or all of these options is solely in the discretion of the United States Attorney's Office.

1 Defendant agrees to waive any objections, motions, and defenses Defendant
2 might have to the United States' decision about how to proceed, including a claim
3 that the United States has violated Double Jeopardy.

4 Defendant agrees not to raise any objections based on the passage of time,
5 including but not limited to, alleged violations of any statutes of limitation or any
6 objections based on the Speedy Trial Act or the Speedy Trial Clause of the Sixth
7 Amendment.

8 20. Waiver of Attorney Fees and Costs

9 Defendant agrees to waive all rights Defendant may have under the "Hyde
10 Amendment," Section 617, P.L. 105- 119 (Nov. 26, 1997), to recover attorneys'
11 fees or other litigation expenses in connection with the investigation and
12 prosecution of all charges in the above-captioned matter and of any related
13 allegations (including, without limitation, any charges to be dismissed pursuant to
14 this Plea Agreement or any charges previously dismissed or not brought as a result
15 of this Plea Agreement).

16 21. Integration Clause

17 The United States and Defendant acknowledge that this document
18 constitutes the entire Plea Agreement between the United States and Defendant,
19 and no other promises, agreements, or conditions exist between the United States
20 and Defendant concerning the resolution of the case.

21 This Plea Agreement is binding only on the United States Attorney's Office
22 for the Eastern District of Washington, and cannot bind other federal, state, or local
23 authorities.

24 The United States and Defendant agree that this Agreement cannot be
25 modified except in a writing that is signed by the United States and Defendant.

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Approvals and Signatures

2 Agreed and submitted on behalf of the United States Attorney's Office for
3 the Eastern District of Washington.

4 Vanessa R. Waldref
5 United States Attorney

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7 Tyler H.L. Tornabene
8 Daniel H. Fruchter
9 Assistant United States Attorneys
10 Frieda K. Zimmerman
Special Assistant United States Attorney

I have read this Plea Agreement and I have carefully reviewed and discussed every part of this Plea Agreement with my attorney. I understand the terms of this Plea Agreement. I enter into this Plea Agreement knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily. I have consulted with my attorney about my rights, I understand those rights, and I am satisfied with the representation of my attorney in this case. No other promises or inducements have been made to me, other than those contained in this Plea Agreement. No one has threatened or forced me in any way to enter into this Plea Agreement. I agree to plead guilty because I am guilty.

Karla Leticia Padilla Reyna
Defendant

Date _____

1 I have read the Plea Agreement and have discussed the contents of the
2 agreement with my client. The Plea Agreement accurately and completely sets
3 forth the entirety of the agreement between the parties. I concur in my client's
4 decision to plead guilty as set forth in the Plea Agreement. There is no legal
5 reason why the Court should not accept Defendant's guilty plea.

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7 Robin C. Emmans

8 Ulvar W. Klein

9 Attorneys for Defendant

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